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New Residents

We welcome this month:

Mr. and Mrs. Nunn, 35 Partridge Drive
Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson, 40 Partridge Drive
Mr. and Mrs. Eastell, moving from 8 Otter Gardens to 41 Partridge Drive

Thanks

The Editor would like to thank Mrs. Linda Downey for typing the July Newsletter.

BHRA Committee: an invitation

For various reasons (including members moving from Bar Hill), the numbers of the Residents Association Committee have fallen below those necessary for effective action and informed representation concerning Village problems.

The Committee therefore cordially invite (under rule 6b) any interested Villagers who would like to serve with them to contact one of the members listed below - by Wednesday, 4th August, please, if possible*.

We feel that Phases 2a and 2c should have stronger representation, so that the opinions and problems of residents in these areas can receive their rightful attention; replies from people living there would therefore be particularly welcome.

Chairman:	John Wills	45 Acorn Avenue	Crafts Hill 551
Treasurer:	Mike Downey	34 Acorn Avenue	
Members:	Mrs. Penny Fromant	15 Almond Grove	
	Bob Bright	43 Otter Close	
	Mike Duce	22 Gladeside.	

* If you have missed this date because you were away on holiday, we shall still be very glad to hear from you when you return.

Singing for Pleasure

A choir has been formed to sing for pleasure all types of music - Berlioz, Gilbert and Sullivan, folk music - with a view to giving a concert in the late autumn, and Carols at Christmas.

The first session of weekly practices will be from mid-September until Christmas. People who enjoy singing and/or would be willing to accompany the choir will be very welcome.

Enrolment: Thursday, 23rd September at 8 p.m. in the School; fee 50p per session.

Bar Hill Motoring Association

In response to requests from residents, the BHRA is sponsoring the inaugural meeting of a Motoring Association. This meeting will be held at the beginning of September, and exact details will be given in next month's Newsletter. It is not intended that this Motoring Association should be a part of the Residents Association we are simply offering assistance and support in the initial stage: thereafter it will operate separately.

Possible objectives of the Association include:
Discount on purchase of motoring requisites; hire of expensive tools; mutual loan of tools; talks; maintenance evenings.

Women's Institute

There will be no meeting this month.

Appeal

May I appeal yet again to those dog-owners who allow their dogs to roam at will round the Village. These dogs are a NUISANCE. Is it realised that they could be dangerous? Two children have already been bitten by one black dog that seems to have no control exercised over it. Do people realise that even pet dogs will form themselves into a pack, should the opportunity arise? Coming as I do from an area where a child was savaged and killed by just such a pack of dogs, I know that even that is a possibility.

In the interests of the children and our Village, please try to keep these "free dogs" under control.

Penny Fromant

Parish Council Notes

Mrs. S. Fromant and Mr. T. Barnes were appointed Managers of Bar Hill School.

Mr. Dale represented the Council at a meeting on 2nd July, held to discuss the siting of a Bus Lay-by. The Bus Company wanted a site on the roundabout, but the Parish Council and the County Planners wanted the buses brought to the planned site at the Mall.

The aid of the Education Department was being sought to obtain a quotation of the cost of preparing the site for the Village Green. The existing land drainage system may prove adequate but at the moment no plan of the system can be found. If the land is made over to the Parish Council in time, it could be possible to plough the land this autumn, but seeding will have to wait until next year.

A special meeting between the Parish Council and Messrs. Barnes, Meadows, Norton and Wilkins as representatives of Youth organisations, produced the following points for consideration:

1. a review of play-area facilities and their use
2. the need for a Sand Pitch - Football Pitch
3. a meeting with the youth of the Village. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on 7th September in the School hall.

The Council would like to see the main Village car park used by visitors to the shops and The Fox. Granted that it is slightly less convenient, but such a practice would reduce the chance of accidents and at the same time improve the general appearance of the area. The Council is looking into the possibility of obtaining more casual parking space on Phase 2 where parking is a problem. A further traffic problem is the damage being done by heavy lorries parked overnight within the Village. Few of the roads or lay-bys are of a strong enough construction. The noise from these lorries has been another source of complaint.

The Council would like to acknowledge the promptness with which the Developers filled in, and sloped off the sides of, the ponds in the Village park. This has reduced the fears of many parents.

A. Parrott

Gardening Club

We had a very enjoyable trip to Bressingham Gardens on 4th July. The weather was good and everyone had a happy time. We hope to arrange more trips in the future.

As you all know, we are holding a "best garden" competition. Further details will be supplied at a later date, but we hope everyone will enter Class 3.

Gardening Hints for August. Keep weeding and water when appropriate. a sprinkler is a good investment. Break up the soil. Remove blooms as they die and, of course, keep the seed pods.

Divide and transplant peonies, stake dahlias and michaelmas daisies. Top-dress carnations in rich soil and cut lavender before the buds open. Sow calendular, candytuft and calliopsis seeds, plant madonna lilies and pot up Christmas bulbs.

There is still time to plant winter greens. Sow winter radish and lettuce. Sow onions to stand over winter for a spring crop. Lift second early potatoes, remove surplus foliage from tomatoes. Sow mignonette, pot up primulas and cinerarias if not already done. Remove weak stems from rambler roses.

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